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assistant to Henry A. Kissinger, ommended the use of electronic asked the Federal Bureau of surveillance as a means of find-Investigation to place underling and stopping leaks of sensisurveillance some of the Gov-tive foreign policy information ernment officials who became to the news media. targets of a controversial wiretap program, according to Sen-become Secretary of State, has ate testimony made public today.

Senate Foreign Relations Committee in July that he "never viewed myself as anything but an extension of Dr. Kissinger," testified that in passing the names of officials to the F.B.I., he had been told to ask "gen-

General Haig, who told the

Mr. Kissinger, who was President Nixon's national security tigation was cortain and that a

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erally that they be surveilled."

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28-tained publicly and under oath Alexander M. Haig Jr., while an that he never initiated or rec-Mr. Kissinger, who has since

repeatedly described his role as one of submitting to the F.B.I. the names of subordinates on the National Security Council staff who fitted three prearranged criteria for possible sources of "leaks."

During an emotional session with reporters in Salzburg, Austria, in June, Mr. Kissinger conceded that "in submitting these names, we knew that an invesadviser when th No Objection To Declassification in

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Haig Testified He Acted For Kissinger on Wiretaps

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wiretap was probable."

But he attacked the "impression" he said had been created Mr. Kissinger said that "when by news accounts that the wiretap program was "a shady af assumed that the F.B.I. would fair" and that he had requested whatever techniques they wiretaps on specific individuals. deemed appropriate. And he threatened to resign

mittee, which confirmed Mr. Kissinger's nomination as Sec-|fice." retary of State in September, retary of State in September, Senator Jacob K. Javits, Rehad brought the F.B.I. the first 1973, held special hearings last publican of New York, recalled "request" for wiretaps on four summer No Objection To Declassification in Full 2010/08/27 : LOC-HAK clearing R-110-5-34-0wire-President Nixon cited Mr. Kis-Mr. Kissinger testified, how-tan affa... Mr. Kissinger testified, how-tan affa... tap affa...

The committee agreed unanimously in August that Mr. Kissinger had not misled it during 21-month-long search for leaks, an investigation for which former President Nixon has said he gave full authorization.

The transcript of the closed hearings, made public today, contains a number of deletions that committee aides said had been requested by the Depart-Kissinger and others. ment of State and the F.B.I. on most complete picture thus far of the genesis and scope of the wiretap program and of the part in it played by Mr. Kissinger's office.

Haig Qupestioned

At one point, Senator J. William Fulbright, Democrat of Arkansas, the committee chairman, asked General Haig, "What were you told to ack the F.B.I. to do when you submitted names to them - ask that t general investigation be made of the individuals, that they be interviewed or only that wiretaps be installed on their homes?

"Generally that they be sur-

General Haig, who named by President Ford last ger's hWite House office, who be finally resolved." week as supreme commander

individuals with adverse infor mation in their security files.

In response to a written question from the committee's staff, my office submitted a name, I

"I do not know what specific from the State Department if investigation techniques were the matter were not resolved employed by the F.B.I.," he con-tinued, "but I assumed that wiretaps would follow the submission of a name by my of-

of his associates.

trues?" Senator Javits asked.

"Of course," the Secretary re plied.

In its report, the Foreign Relations Committee conceded relating wiretap operation "and the tes-timony" of General Haig, Mr.

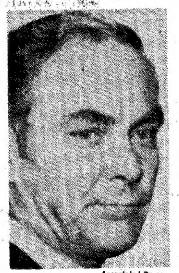
national security grounds, But noted, "the committee was un-the surveillance effort beyond it nevertheless provides the able to settle to its satisfaction the selection of some of the 17 some questions about the initiation and termination of certain wiretaps.

"But it did establish to its satisfaction that Secretary Kissinger's role in the program was essentially as he described it in an individual tap was termitestimony last year."

Discrepancy About Hoover

Some inconsistencies invole F.B.I. documents prepared by J. Edgar Hoover, the late F.B.I. director, and William C. Sullivan, a retired bureau official whom the report described as having been "physically unable to testify" before the Foreign Relations Committee last new inquiries.

wiretapping I wasn't the least 1969, which maintains that it ask that the questions as to my was General, Haig, then a role and the truthfulness and was colonel attached to Mr. Kissin-completeness of my testimony



Associated Press Alexander M. Haig Jr.

wiretaps be installed on some of the wiretap program were suggested not by him but by "Having heard that Presiden- Mr. Hoover, three of whom, he tial statement, do you still said, the F.B.I. chief had recomabout his participation in the stand by your statement as the mended that Mr. Kissinger not hire for his staff.

> Other inconsistencies stem from a series off F.B.I. memos citing either Mr. Kissinger, or General Haig on his behalf, as that, "to be sure, there are in-having requested the initiation consistencies between the F.B.I. of some of the taps or the ter-documents" relating to the mination of others to the mination of others.

Describes His Role

Mr. Kissinger testified, how-Because of these, the report ever, that his sole function in names passed on to the .FB.I. was to read occasional reports of overhead conversations forwarded by the F.B.I. to the White House.

> "I had no knowledge of when nated," Mr. Kissinger said, "and I was not involved in termination decisions.

"I appreciate," r. MKissinger told the committee, "that in scrutinizing the transcript of these descussions, there will always be nuances, or sentences, which, taken out of context, can give rise to interminable

"I do not suggest that the "It was very clear to me that randum, written on May 12, State not be criticized. But I do